

Fast Food Fax

JAN 12, 2004

Trade sentiment was fully steady to firm. Demand ranged moderate to fairly good, best where media promotions were planned. Wings were in good balance to short. Breast items were in close balance and well cleared. Leg items were clearing satisfactorily. Weights were mostly desirable.

The "SOURCE" of Poultry and Egg Market Information

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Young Chickens Slaughtered under Federal Inspection Classified by Weight, WEEKENDING: Dec. 27, 2003

	FOOD SERVICE/			
	FAST FOOD	RETAIL	DEBONING	TOTAL
Weight Range	4.20 & Down	4.21 - 5.25	5.26 & Up	----
Total (000)	20,542	19,674	27,559	67,775
Percentage	30%	29%	41%	100%

Fast Food and Food Service Sizes

<u>Live Weights</u>	<u>RTC WOG Weights</u>	<u>No. of Head (000)</u>	<u>Percentage of Total Slaughter</u>
3.60 lbs. & Lighter	Under 2 lbs., 8 oz.	3,520	5.19
3.61 - 3.80 lbs.	2 lbs., 8 oz. - 2 lbs., 10 oz.	2,914	4.30
3.81 - 4.00 lbs.	2 lbs., 10 oz., -2 lbs., 12 oz.	10,084	14.88
4.01 - 4.20 lbs.	2 lbs., 12 oz. - 2 lbs., 14 oz.	<u>4,024</u>	<u>5.94</u>
		20,542	30.31

BROILER EGG SET CHICKS PLACED IN 19 STATES COMPARED WITH U.S. BROILER SLAUGHTER

Slaughter Week	Egg Sets		Chicks Placed		Eggs Set 10 Weeks Previous		Chicks Placed 7 Weeks Previous		Prelim. Fed. Insp. Million head Slaughtered	
	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% *	(000)	% * *
Nov 08	199,335	101	153,307	101	203,034	100	165,164	100	158,112	100
Nov 15	203,470	102	156,301	106	200,658	99	163,123	99	157,078	99
Nov 22	203,078	101	156,686	101	194,994	102	159,201	102	151,254	96
Nov 29	207,122	102	164,879	102	193,272	102	157,538	102	118,334	78
Dec 06	202,883	101	167,042	103	195,796	102	160,277	103	154,912	131
Dec 13	206,418	102	166,780	102	194,961	101	158,893	101	153,501	99
Dec 20	206,340	103	170,156	103	196,586	102	160,248	103	154,431	101
Dec 27	205,370	102	167,849	103	187,654	101	153,838	101	113,075	73
Jan 03	206,254	101	167,988	102	190,111	105	155,730	105	134,816	119

Data in bold are subject to revision *Percent of previous year **Percent change from previous week

Whole Broiler/Fryers (cents/lb.)	Majority	Current Week	Previous Week	Year Ago
Week of 01/12/04				
NEW YORK Grade A Ice-packed	67-69	67.58	64.04	59.71
CHICAGO Grade A Ice-packed	60-63	63.49	59.75	56.55
LOS ANGELES Grade A Ice-packed	74	72.92	72.08	66.47
12-CITY COMPOSITE Weighted Avg.		67.70	65.75	61.89
GEORGIA DOCK FOB Wtd. Avg. (Wed Dock 69.00)		68.24	67.64	61.26
SOUTHERN STATES FOB Whole Body 5 Day Avg.		54.06	52.62	40.38

Broiler/Fryer Parts (cents/lb.)	Northeast (Delivered)	Southern States (FOB)	Georgia (FOB)
<u>Weekly Weighted Average</u>	<u>01/09/04</u>	<u>01/09/04</u>	<u>01/12/04</u>
Breast - B/S	146.82	140.20	170.50
Tenderloins	144.89	150.36	200.50 (Line run)
Breast - Line Run	76.64	84.02	89.00 (Whole)
Leg Quarters	29.78	26.00	31.50
Wings	105.51	106.70	108.50